Mountain Weather Forecast

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Thursday 15 Oct 2020 until 23:59 on Friday 16 Oct 2020

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 14 Oct 2020 at 11:39 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for a spell settled if rather cloudy weather until later Sunday, but some uncertainty over cloud cover details (south generally being best). Low confidence by Monday but likely unsettled.

Headline for Thursday 15 Oct 2020: Dry and sunny, often cloudier in the east.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 15 Oct 2020

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** No Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Low Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Mist	Mist	Partly cloudy (night)	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Cloudy	Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability							
00%	00%	00%	00%	10%	00%	20%	20%

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Weather: Northeast winds will bring a feed of cloud from the Moray Firth, but clear or sunny spells are expected south of the Cairngorm Plateau as well as for Creag Meagaidh and Ben Alder. Cloud may bring the odd light shower for the Cairngorms, but otherwise dry conditions prevail. Cloud tending to lower through evening.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 90% south, 60% north. Cloud cover fairly contiguous above 900-1000m in the north, lowering 800m through evening.

Visibility: Generally excellent with good clarity to the air under the cloud base. Persistent fog for higher slopes of the Cairngorms and Monadhliath mountains.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	12/17 NE	10/15 NE	10/15 NE	11/16 NE	8/13 NE	7/11 E	8/11 E	9/13 E	8/12 E
900	10/13 NE	9/12 E	8/11 NE	8/12 NE	7/11 NE	6/10 NE	6/9 NE	8/11 E	6/10 NE
600	6/10 NE	7/10 E	4/7 NE	4/8 NE	6/10 NE	5/9 NE	4/8 NE	4/8 NE	4/7 N
300	3/6 E	3/6 NE	2/4 NE	2/5 NE	4/9 NE	4/8 NE	4/8 NE	2/6 E	2/4 S
Glen	2/5 NE	2/4 NE	1/4 NE	2/6 NE	3/8 NE	3/8 NE	3/7 NE	1/4 NE	1/4 N

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-2/-7	-2/-7	-3/-7	-2/-6	-1/-5	-0/-4	-2/-5	-2/-7	-2/-6
900	2/-2	1/-3	0/-3	1/-3	2/-1	2/-0	1/-2	1/-3	1/-2
600	4/1	3/1	3/1	3/1	4/2	5/3	4/2	3/1	3/2
300	5/4	4/3	4/3	5/4	7/6	7/6	6/4	5/4	5/4
Glen	5/5	3/4	3/3	4/5	8/7	9/8	6/6	5/5	4/5
Freezing Level*	1100m	1000m	1000m	1000m	1000m	1100m	1100m	1200m	1200m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Note temperatures around freezing near and above munro level.

Forecast for Friday 16 Oct 2020
Weather: A similar day to Thursday with the northern ranges staying largely cloud with a few showers possible, with the south seeing clearer and dry conditions. Cloud generally lowering and becoming more extensive across all ranges later in the day.

Maximum wind: Variable direction, but generally easterly, 10-15mph.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 40% north, 70% south. Areas of cloud increasingly extensive above 500-700m.

Visibility: No issues below the cloud base, but persistent poor visibility likely across north on higher ground.

Temperature: **Glens:** 2-4C rising 8-10C.
At 800m: 1-3C.
Freezing level: 1200m rising above summits.

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